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VIA E-MAIL (ATTORNEYGENERAL@DOJ.NH.GOV)

The Honorable Gordon MacDonald Attorney General of the State of New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General 33 Capitol Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Notification of a Potential Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General MacDonald:

We represent Alexander & Ewert, 2625 Redwing Road, Suite 200, Fort Collins, Colorado 80526, in connection with a recent incident that may have involved the personal information of one (1) New Hampshire resident. Alexander & Ewert is reporting the incident pursuant to N.H. REV. STAT. ANN. § 359-C:20. This notice will be supplemented, if necessary, with any new significant facts discovered subsequent to this submission. While Alexander & Ewert is notifying you of this incident, Alexander & Ewert does not waive any rights or defenses relating to the incident, this notice, or the applicability of New Hampshire law on personal jurisdiction.

NATURE OF THE SECURITY INCIDENT OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OR ACCESS

On or around October 14, 2020, Alexander & Ewert discovered an unauthorized rule in an Alexander & Ewert email account. Upon discovering the incident, Alexander & Ewert secured the email account, removed the rule, and began an internal investigation. Alexander & Ewert also engaged a leading forensic firm to further investigate and confirm the security of Alexander & Ewert's systems. The investigation determined that the unauthorized rule existed in the email account from May 25, 2020 to October 14, 2020. Alexander & Ewert then undertook a comprehensive review of the contents of the account. On February 17, 2021, based on this review, Alexander & Ewert determined that the involved email account contained the personal information of certain individuals.

NUMBER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS AFFECTED

On July 30, 2021, after utilizing the National Change of Address database, Alexander & Ewert determined that the involved email account contained the name, Social Security number, driver's

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license number, and financial account number of one (1) New Hampshire resident. Alexander & Ewert is notifying the one (1) New Hampshire resident by letter today, August 9, 2021. The notification letter will include an offer for twelve (12) months of complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection. Enclosed is a copy of the notice that is being sent to the New Hampshire resident via first-class United States mail.

STEPS TAKEN RELATING TO THE INCIDENT

Upon learning of the incident, Alexander & Ewert promptly secured the email account to prevent further access. It also conducted a comprehensive search for any personal information in the email account and retained a leading forensic security firm to investigate and confirm the security of its email and computer systems. Alexander & Ewert is undertaking efforts to reduce the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future, including enhancing its technical security measures. Finally, as discussed above, Alexander & Ewert is notifying the involved resident with an offer for one (1) year of complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if I can provide you with any further information concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure



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Dear <<first name>> <<middle name>> <<last name>> <<suffix>>,

Alexander & Ewert is committed to the privacy and confidentiality of its clients. Unfortunately, we are writing to advise you of a recent incident that may have involved some of your personal information. We have no reason to believe that your personal information has been misused for the purpose of committing fraud or identity theft or that any of your information was actually viewed by an unauthorized person. Nonetheless, we are providing you this notice with guidance on what you can do to protect yourself, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

What Happened? We recently learned that an unauthorized third party gained access to an Alexander & Ewert employee email account. Since an unknown individual had access to the account, we searched the account for any personal information contained therein.

What Information Was Involved? On February 17, 2021, we determined the account contained some of your personal information, including your << b2b_text_1(Impacted Data)>>.

What We Are Doing. Upon learning of the incident, we promptly secured the email account to prevent further access. We also retained a leading forensic security firm to investigate and confirm the security of our email and computer systems. In addition, we have taken steps to reduce the risk of this type of incident occurring in the future, including enhancing our technical security measures.

What You Can Do. Although we are not aware of any instances of fraud or identity theft resulting from this incident, we are offering you a complimentary one-year membership to Experian IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with identity protection services focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft. IdentityWorks Credit 3B is completely free to you and enrolling in this program will not hurt your credit score. For more information on identity theft prevention and IdentityWorks Credit 3B, including instructions on how to activate your complimentary one-year membership, please see the additional information provided in this letter.

Other Important Information: We value the trust you place in us to protect your privacy, take our responsibility to safeguard your personal information seriously, and apologize for any inconvenience or concern this incident might cause. For further information and assistance, please call 1-855-623-1931 from 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM Mountain Time, Monday through Friday, excluding major US holidays.

Sincerely,

Alexander & Ewert

To help protect your identity, we are offering a **complimentary** one-year membership of Experian IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with superior identity protection support focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft.

Activate IdentityWorks Credit 3B Now in Three Easy Steps

- ENROLL by: <<bb/>by: <<bb/>cycle text 2(IEnrollment Deadline)>> (Your code will not work after this date.)
- 2. VISIT the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit
- 3. PROVIDE the Activation Code: << Membership Number s_n>>. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ACTIVATION CODE IS CASE-SENSITIVE.

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with identity restoration or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877-288-8057. Be prepared to provide engagement number <
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ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING YOUR 12-MONTH EXPERIAN IDENTITYWORKS CREDIT 3B MEMBERSHIP:

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks Credit 3B.

You can contact Experian **immediately without needing to enroll in the product** regarding any fraud issues. Identity Restoration specialists are available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.

Once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks, you will have access to the following additional features:

- Experian credit report at signup: See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.*
- Credit Monitoring: Actively monitors Experian, Equifax and TransUnion files for indicators of fraud.
- Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE™: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance**: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

Activate your membership today at https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit or call 877-288-8057 to register with the activation code above.

What you can do to protect your information: There are additional actions you can consider taking to reduce the chances of identity theft or fraud on your account(s). Please refer to www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration for this information. If you have any questions about IdentityWorks, need help understanding something on your credit report or suspect that an item on your credit report may be fraudulent, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877-288-8057.

^{*} Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling.

^{**} Identity theft insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. (AIG). The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

Additional Important Information

As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant to protect against potential fraud and/or identity theft by, among other things, reviewing your account statements and monitoring credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You should also promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidents of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, including the police and your state's attorney general, as well as the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC").

You may wish to review the tips provided by the FTC on fraud alerts, security/credit freezes and steps you can take to avoid identity theft. For more information and to contact the FTC, please visit www.ftc.gov/idtheft or call 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338). You may also contact the FTC at Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580.

<u>Credit Reports</u>: You may obtain a free copy of your credit report once every 12 months from each of the three national credit reporting agencies by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com, by calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You can print a copy of the request form at https://www.annualcreditreport.com/manualRequestForm.action.

Alternatively, you may elect to purchase a copy of your credit report by contacting one of the three national credit reporting agencies. Contact information for the three national credit reporting agencies for the purpose of requesting a copy of your credit report or for general inquiries is as follows:

 Equifax
 Experian
 TransUnion

 1-866-349-5191
 1-888-397-3742
 1-800-888-4213

 www.equifax.com
 www.experian.com
 www.transunion.com

 P.O. Box 740241
 P.O. Box 2002
 P.O. Box 2000

 Atlanta, GA 30374
 Allen, TX 75013
 Chester, PA 19016

<u>Fraud Alerts</u>: You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. A fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit report for one (1) year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any new accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three national credit reporting agencies using the contact information listed above. Additional information is available at www.annualcreditreport.com.

Credit and Security Freezes: You may have the right to place a credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, on your credit file, so that no new credit can be opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A credit freeze is designed to prevent potential credit grantors from accessing your credit report without your consent. If you place a credit freeze, potential creditors and other third parties will not be able to get access to your credit report unless you temporarily lift the freeze. Therefore, using a credit freeze may delay your ability to obtain credit. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a credit freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting company. Since the instructions for how to establish a credit freeze differ from state to state, please contact the three major credit reporting companies as specified below to find out more information:

 Equifax Security Freeze
 Experian Security Freeze
 TransUnion Security Freeze

 1-888-298-0045
 1-888-397-3742
 1-888-909-8872

 www.equifax.com
 www.experian.com
 www.transunion.com

 P.O. Box 105788
 P.O. Box 9554
 P.O. Box 160

 Atlanta, GA 30348
 Allen, TX 75013
 Woodlyn, PA 19094

Individuals interacting with credit reporting agencies have rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/bcfp_consumer-rights-summary_2018-09.pdf, or by requesting information in writing from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20552.

This notice was not delayed by a law enforcement investigation.